

## PUBLIC INFORMATION ARREST NOTIFICATION

On January 16, 2019, criminal investigators with the Office the Inspector General (OIG) at the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) arrested Juvenile Supervision Officer (JSO) Debra Ann Blair (45) on felony warrant #F190005 for two counts of Indecency with a Child by Sexual Contact. Blair was booked into the Erath County Jail by OIG investigators without incident. This offense is a Second Degree Felony under the Tex. Pen. Code Chapter 22.11. If convicted, this offense is punishable by imprisonment in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for two to twenty years and a fine up to \$10,000.00. The arrest warrant stemmed from an investigation conducted by the OIG that involved allegations of misconduct by an employee at the Rite of Passage Juvenile Facility, which is a contact care facility in Granbury, Texas. The case will be prosecuted by the Hood County District Attorney.

The Office of the Inspector General is statutorily responsible to investigate criminal allegations involving T.J.J.D youth, employees, contractors, volunteers, or at T.J.J.D. or contact facilities. Investigators with the OIG also conduct abuse, neglect, and exploitation investigations at contract and county juvenile facilities and programs on behalf of the Department. Anyone can report allegations of misconduct to the Incident Reporting Center by completing an on-line complaint form found on the OIG website <a href="http://www.tjjd.texas.gov/OIG/index.aspx">http://www.tjjd.texas.gov/OIG/index.aspx</a>, or by emailing a complaint to <a href="http://www.tjjd.texas.gov/OIG/index.aspx">TJJD.IRC@tjjd.texas.gov</a>, or finally by calling a 24 hour a day toll free hotline 1-866-477-8354

